POWER SHORTAGE IN DELHI

2682. SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a Swedish company has been looking into the huge transmission and distribution losses as part of a load management study in Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking (DESU);

(b) whether it is a fact that the power situation is not likely to improve dramatically even if the private sector was to be introduced for its distribution and supply, if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is a fact that due to restrictions of the "sacrosanct" Master Plan, no new power station can come up in the capital;

(d) if so, whehter it is a fact that the over-dependence on the Northern grid is likely to continue almost indefinitely and power failure due to low frequencies will be a regular feature in the coming years; and

(e) if so, whether there is any ultimate solution of the problem of lack of electricity supply for the growing population of Delhi and what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) M/s. Swedpower, a Swedish Company, has entered into a consultancy contract with DESU for carrying out studies inter-alia on load management and energy accounting for the Delhi Distribution System.

(b) Privatisation of electricity distribution in Delhi is envisaged mainly to bring about general improvement in consumer service, modernisation/augmentation of the transmission and distribution network to meet the growing need of power in Delhi and to avoid the burden on the Government of the heavy financial losses incurred by DESU.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) In view of the limited core generation in Delhi, dependence of DESU on Northern Grid is likely to continue. Load-shedding on some occasions becomes necessary in the event of low frequency conditions to safeguard the system parameters of the Northern Grid. However, no serious difficulties are envisaged in meeting the power requirements of Delhi from DESU's own generation, supplies from Badarpur Thermal Power Station and allocated/Unallocated shares in the Central Stations in the Northern Region.

Steps taken to improve the power availability in Delhi include installation of 3 X 34.07 MW Waste Heat Recovery Units at the existing Gas Turbines 90 per cent share of Delhi in the National Capital Thermal Power Project (840 MW) at Dadri, installation of 450MW Combined-Cycle Gas-based Power Project at Bawana in the private sector and construction of 400KV Transmission Ring around Delhi.

मध्य प्रदेश में विद्युत संयंत्रों के लिए जापान से ऋण

2683. श्री अजीत जोगी :
चौधरी हरि सिंह :

क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने जापान द्वारा आपूर्ति किये जाने वाले विद्युत संयंत्र उपकरणों की खरीद के लिये येन मुद्रा में ऋण मांगने हेतु केन्द्रीय सरकार से अनुरोध किया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इस संबंध में सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी.वी. रंगैया नायडु) : (क) जी, नहीं ।

(ख) और (ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

अनपारा ताप विद्युत संयंत्र के लिए विदेशी सहायता

2684 **श्री दिग दत्त यादव** :

क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने अनपारा "ख" ताप विद्युत संयंत्र को पूरा करने के लिये अतिरिक्त विदेशी सहायता का अनुरोध किया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसी सहायता के लिये ही सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई है; और

(ग) उस कार्यवाही के क्या परिणाम निकले हैं ?

विद्युत मन्त्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री पी वी रंगैया नायडु) : (क) से (ग) "अनपारा" "बी" ताप विद्युत परियोजना के कियान्वयन हेतु ओवरसिज इकोनोमिक को-आपरेशन फण्ड, जापान ने 101.42 बिलियन येन की ऋण सहायता उपलब्ध करवाई है । इसके अतिरिक्त, इस परियोजना के कियान्वयन हेतु, जापान सरकार द्वारा ओ ई सी एफ से 17638 मिलियन येन की अतिरिक्त ऋण सहायता धरोहर के रूप में (प्लेज्ड) रखी गई है । इस संबंध में जल्दी ही ऋण संबंधी बातचीत किए जाने की संभावना है ।

LOSSES TO STATE ELECTRICITY BOARDS AND NTPC

2685. **SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA** : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) the cumulative losses of State Electricity Boards as well as National Thermal Power Corporation including Gujarat Electricity Board as on November, 1993;

(b) the total amount of dues to be recovered by each of these organisations as on the above date; and

(c) the measures taken by Government for helping these organisations in the recovery of dues and reducing losses ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) The audited final accounts of most Electricity Boards for the year 1992-93 have yet to become available. The cumulative losses of the State Electricity Boards as on 31-3-1992 after reckoning subsidy and Interest During Construction (IDC) is Rs. 5,346.77 crores. National Thermal Power Corporation and Gujarat Electricity Board have positive working results.

(b) The total amount of dues to be recovered by SEBs, NTPC and Gujarat Electricity Board are as under :—

SEBs (including GEB) : Rs. 6,129.21 crores (31-3-1992)

NTPC : Rs. 3,130.72 crores (Rs. 1,918.40 crores plus Surcharge of Rs. 1,212.32 crores) as at the end of October, 1993.

GEB : Rs. 436.49 crores (31-3-1992)

(c) State Governments have been advised to undertake measures such as rationalised tariff regular payment of rural electrification subsidy, improvement in Plant Load Factor, reduction in T & D losses etc. to improve the finances of the State Electricity Boards and to reduce their losses. The Conference of the Power Ministers held on 8th-9th January, 1993 also discussed ways and means to improve the performance of SEBs, both in physical and financial terms, and has adopted an Action Plan which include, inter-alia, liquidation of the arrears of subsidy in a phased manner, reduction in outstanding dues, tariff rationalisation, fixation of minimum agricultural tariff etc. Action has also been taken to adjust the overdues of NTPC from Central Plan assistance payable to the defaulting States.